

Remarks

Claims 1-24 are pending in the application. Applicants petition the Commissioner for a 3-month extension of time: a separate petition accompanies this amendment. In the above-referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

I. Claims 1-10 and 19-24, drawn to a human cell composition comprising PKR-overexpressing cells;

II. Claims 11-18, drawn to a method of for producing a cell line that overexpresses PKR.

In response, the applicants elect Group I without traverse. Non-elected claims 11-18 have been canceled.

If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 838-4402.

Respectfully submitted,

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